

to the Service Academies, or nominations of Foreign Service officers.

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***Submitted February 11***

John B. Brown III,  
of Texas, to be Deputy Administrator of Drug Enforcement, vice Julio F. Mercado, resigned.

Eric F. Melgren,  
of Kansas, to be U.S. Attorney for the District of Kansas for the term of 4 years, vice Randall K. Rathbun, resigned.

James W. Pardew,  
of Arkansas, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of Bulgaria.

Leslie Silverman,  
of Virginia, to be a member of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission for the remainder of the term expiring July 1, 2003, vice Ida L. Castro, resigned.

Sally Stroup,  
of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary for Post-secondary Education, Department of Education, vice A. Lee Fritschler, resigned.

***Submitted February 15***

Don V. Cogman,  
of Connecticut, to be a member of the National Council on the Arts for a term expiring September 3, 2006, vice Patrick Davidson, term expired.

Katharine DeWitt,  
of Ohio, to be a member of the National Council on the Arts for a term expiring September 3, 2006, vice William P. Foster, resigned.

Gregory Allyn Forest,  
of North Carolina, to be U.S. Marshal for the Western District of North Carolina for the term of 4 years, vice Walter Baker Edmisten, term expired.

David Gelernter,  
of Connecticut, to be a member of the National Council on the Arts for a term expiring September 3, 2006, vice Hsin-Ming Fung,

Amy Apfel Kass,  
of Illinois, to be a member of the National Council on the Humanities for a term expiring January 26, 2004, vice Mary D. Hubbard.

Andrew Ladis,  
of Georgia, to be a member of the National Council on the Humanities for a term expiring January 26, 2006, vice Vicki L. Ruiz.

Wright L. Lassiter, Jr.,  
of Texas, to be a member of the National Council on the Humanities for a term expiring January 26, 2006, vice Nina M. Archabal.

Teresa Lozano Long,  
of Texas, to be a member of the National Council on the Arts for a term expiring September 3, 2006, vice Terry Evans, term expired.

Maribeth McGinley,  
of California, to be a member of the National Council on the Arts for a term expiring September 3, 2006, vice Ronnie Feuerstein Heyman, term expired.

Richard Monroe Miles,  
of South Carolina, a career member of the Senior Foreign Service, class of Minister-Counselor, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to Georgia.

James R. Stoner, Jr.,  
of Louisiana, to be a member of the National Council on the Humanities for a term expiring January 26, 2006, vice Betty G. Bengtson.

Peter Terpeluk, Jr.,  
of Pennsylvania, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to Luxembourg.

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**Checklist  
of White House Press Releases**

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The following list contains releases of the Office of the Press Secretary that are neither printed as items nor covered by entries in the Digest of Other White House Announcements.

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**Released February 11**

Transcript of a press briefing by Council of Economic Advisers member Mark McClellan on the President's agenda for health care reform

Fact sheet: President Outlines Agenda for Improving Health Security in the Best Health Care System in the World

**Released February 12**

Transcript of a press briefing by Press Secretary Ari Fleischer

Statement by the Press Secretary announcing that the President signed H.R. 700 and H.R. 1937

Transcript of a press briefing by National Drug Control Policy Director John Walters on the National Drug Control Strategy

Fact sheet: The President's National Drug Control Strategy

**Released February 13**

Transcript of a press briefing by Press Secretary Ari Fleischer

Fact sheet: Official Working Visit of President Musharraf of Pakistan: U.S. Programs To Assist the People of Pakistan

**Released February 14**

Transcript of a press briefing by Press Secretary Ari Fleischer

Transcript of a press briefing by National Security Adviser Condoleezza Rice on the President's upcoming visit to Japan, South Korea, and China

Fact sheet: President Bush Announces Clear Skies & Global Climate Change Initiatives

Announcement: Homeland Security Director Tom Ridge To Attend the Florida Domestic Security Advisory Panel Meeting With Florida Governor Jeb Bush Friday

Statement by the Press Secretary announcing that the President signed H.J. Res. 82, S. 737, S. 970, and S. 1026

Announcement of nomination of U.S. Marshal for the Western District of North Carolina

**Released February 15**

Transcript of a press briefing by Press Secretary Ari Fleischer

Transcript of a press gaggle by Press Secretary Ari Fleischer

Statement by the Press Secretary on the proposed Yucca Mountain nuclear materials repository

Fact sheet: The President's Commitment to Strengthening the Peace Corps

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**Acts Approved  
by the President**


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**Approved February 8\***

S. 1762 / Public Law 107-139  
To amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to establish fixed interest rates for student and parent borrowers, to extend current law with respect to special allowances for lenders, and for other purposes

S. 1888 / Public Law 107-140  
To amend title 18 of the United States Code to correct a technical error in the codification of title 36 of the United States Code

**Approved February 12**

H.R. 700 / Public Law 107-141  
Asian Elephant Conservation Reauthorization Act of 2002

H.R. 1937 / Public Law 107-142  
Pacific Northwest Feasibility Studies Act of 2002

**Approved February 14**

H.J. Res. 82 / Public Law 107-143  
Recognizing the 91st birthday of Ronald Reagan

S. 737 / Public Law 107-144  
To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 811 South Main

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\* These public laws were not received in time for inclusion in the appropriate issue.